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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 18 with the following amended paragraph:

Thus, between one upper arm installation area and the other upper arm installation area, there is laid a ~~first~~ second coupling member over[,] and above ~~this~~ a first coupling member. Also, between one upper arm installation area and the other upper arm installation area, there is ~~laid a~~ located this substantially V-shaped ~~second coupling member over~~. Accordingly, the two upper arm installation areas, to which a load is applied, have been made into a substantially triangular truss structure. As a result, it is possible to enhance the rigidity of the body frame while keeping the weight increase of the vehicle to a minimum.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

The invention also provides a structure of a joint for connecting the upper main pipe is ~~provided~~ in the neighborhood of an apex portion of the second coupling member. The joint for connecting the upper main pipe is provided in the neighborhood of the apex portion of the second coupling member. Therefore, it is possible to extend the upper main pipe from a portion that has enhanced rigidity. As a result, it is possible to further improve the rigidity of the entire body frame.